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PRODUCTION OF MILK IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of milk produced in Bihar during the last three years;

(b) whether the production of milk and the dairy products have increased rapidly in the State;

(c) if so, whether the Government of Bihar has requested the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and other agencies to facilitate the sale of excess milk and dairy products;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to set up a Mega Dairy or related industry in Bihar; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) : The quantum of milk produced in Bihar during the last three years is as under:

Year	Milk Production (`000 MT/year)
1998-99	3440
1999-2000	3446
2000-01	2489+

+ For the year 2000-2001 the production data relates to re-organised Bihar State after the formation of Jharkhand State.

(b): There is gradual increase in production of milk and dairy products.

(c): Bihar Cooperative Milk Producers` Federation Ltd. (COMFED) has requested Mother Dairy, Delhi for possibilities of supply of milk to them. At present, Mother Dairy, Delhi does not need additional milk. However, they would consider the request of COMFED in future, as and when required.

(d) & (e): No, Sir.